

## 2010-11 SCHOOL PROFILE

# **Ballou STAY School**



Dear Parent or Guardian,

You are your child's first teacher and our most important partner in your child's education. We understand, though, that for you to be an effective partner, you need information. This school profile is designed to give you what you need to make the best decisions for your child.

In this profile, you will find important facts about school performance, facilities, and academic and extracurricular programs. You also will find practical details that will help you better communicate and be involved in the school — including the principal's name, the front office phone number and what public transportation gets you to the school.

This information is compiled first and foremost to help you support and advocate for your child. But it is also my hope that you will use it to hold principals, school staff and my office accountable at getting better at what we do every day.

Our goal is for every child in DCPS to succeed. We look forward to working with you to make this goal a reality for your child.

Sincerely,

Kaya Henderson Interim Chancellor



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Phone: (202) 645-3390 | Fax: (202) 645-3935 Principal: Wilbert Miller | wilbert.miller@dc.gov Web Site: www.dcps.dc.gov/DCPS/ballouSTAY School Hours: 10:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Ballou STAY's diverse student body of more than 700 students is a testament to its motto, "It's Never Too Late to Earn Your High School Diploma." Ballou STAY'S mission is to deliver a high-quality

academic and career/technical program that will lead to a high school diploma or vocational certificate.

Ballou STAY offers traditional and accelerated diploma programs in addition to GED Prep and External
Diploma Programs; Ballou STAY also offers vocational programs such as automotive technology, barbering,
cosmetology, Microsoft Office courses and culinary arts. The vocational program, along with sports and
clubs at Ballou STAY, empower young adults with the career skills to succeed in the real world.

#### PROGRAMS (2010-11)



### ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT

- •Content Tutoring and Skills Enhancement Classes
- •Community Forum with Assistant Chief of Police
- •Young Women's Non-traditional Conference (AU)
- •Minority Science Career Seminars NIH

# WELLNESS AND FITNESS



- •Transgender Health Empowerment
- Training and Consulting Services, Inc. (TACS)
- Destiny Power and Purpose (Serving Ex-offenders)
- Moms and Me (Parenting and Child Care Awareness)
- •STD Screening and Awareness
- •Student and Staff Tournaments
- •Coats, Hats and Toys Drive
- •Peer Mediation

# ARTS AND CULTURE

- •World Languages: Spanish
- •Tours Spy Museum, U Street, etc.
- •Theatrical Teams

## STUDENT PERFORMANCE

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding math standards on the DC CAS

2009 N/A

**2010** N/A

School improvement status

N/A

Percentage of students meeting or exceeding reading standards on the DC CAS

2009 N/A

**2010** N/A

# STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS (2009-10)

Enrollment: 714

Asian/Pacific: —
Black: 99%
Hispanic: —
American Indian: —
White: —
Other: 1%

English language learners: —
Free and reduced-price lunch: 15%
Special education: 4%
In-boundary: This school does not have a
designated boundary and draws students from
across the city.



## **Ballou STAY School**

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Art room	<b>&amp;</b>	N/A	Far Southeast Collaborative
Auditorium	<b>©</b>		Samri Corp
Computer lab	<b>©</b>		Universal Center for Development
Gym	<b>&amp;</b>		Council of Women's Ministers
Media center	<b>©</b>		Destiny Power and Purpose, Inc.
Music room	<b>&amp;</b>		Southern Baptist Church
Outdoor recreation space	<b>&amp;</b>		Academy of Hope
science lab	<b>&amp;</b>		Potomac Job Corps
her:			Living Wages Opportunity Center
Parent organization	<b>&amp;</b>		Parklands Community Center
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#### **GETTING TO SCHOOL**

A2, A8, A42 (Anacostia-Congress Heights Line)
A5 (Anacostia-Fort Drum Line)
M8, M9 (Congress Heights Shuttle Line)
W4 (Deanwood-Alabama Ave Line)

#### WHAT YOU CAN DO

Parents and community members play an important role in ensuring that every child, in every classroom across the district, receives the high-quality education he or she deserves.

Volunteer at school. Volunteers are key to helping students succeed. Many schools need volunteers who can work directly with students on reading and math, but volunteers also can provide support in classrooms, the office and the library, as well as help plan and staff events, write grants, and much more. For more information, check with the principal or visit www.dcps.dc.gov/DCPS/volunteer.

Join the school's parent organization. Parent organizations are an important part of every school community. They provide ways to support students through community events, fundraising and other activities. Joining a parent organization helps parents meet other parents who are engaged in their child's education. For more information, contact the school.

Attend parent-teacher conferences. Stay in touch with your child's teachers and ask that they be in touch with you. Ask your child's teachers about

what kind of classroom behavior they expect and how they reward positive behavior. Ask what your child should be learning, how well he or she is doing, and what you can do to help. Parent-teacher conferences will be held at school on Oct. 18, 2010; Feb. 28, 2011; and May 16, 2011.

Work with or run for the school advisory board. This group advises the principal on the comprehensive school plan — including specific programs and activities that strengthen student performance, create safe and effective schools, and involve parents and families. For more information, check with the principal.

Talk to your child about school. Your opinion matters to your child. Ask your child about one thing he or she learned at school, and keep asking every day! For more information, visit www.dcps.dc.gov/DCPS/studentsuccess.

# WHERE CAN I FIND INFORMATION ON OTHER SCHOOLS?

If you are interested in seeing the information contained here for every DCPS school, please visit www.dcps.dc.gov/profiles. You will be able to search for DCPS schools based on the information that you care about, and you will also be able to compare schools side by side.

# HOW CAN I STAY UP TO DATE ON WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Be sure to let your school know if your contact information changes. Visit www.dcps.dc.gov regularly, and sign up to receive regular e-mail updates from DCPS at www.dcps.dc.gov/DCPS/enews.